complaints constantly, and every time I go there I am surrounded by these subordinates with their complaints. I do not know who Mr. Variar's informants are and how he is able to say that I have exaggerated the conditions in the factory.

MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR: From the excise officers themselves.

MR. A. J. VAN ROSS: I think that, as Excise Commissioner, my information must weigh more than that of my subordinates.

PRESIDENT: The question is that a sum not exceeding Rs. 7,300 under Demand III A. Salt—Salt Factories be sanctioned as a supplementary grant.

The motion was carried, 25 members voting *for* and 5 *against*.

The grant was made.

Demand XIV—Education.

MR. L. C. HODGSON: Sir, I beg to move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 200 for the appointment of an attender on Rs. 20-25 in the Srimulavilasam School at Trivandrum in connection with the introduction of Manual Training in that school.

The grant that I am asking for is a very moderate sum and the purpose for which it is required is a very necessary one. I think I am right in saying that the matter was not included in the budget for 1098, simply because the appointment had not been sanctioned before that time. Some time ago, the introduction of Manual Training in the Srimulavilasam School was sanctioned by Government. Two graduates were especially selected and sent to the Training College to be instructed in this subject by Mr. Green. They finished their course of training last March and were relieved from the Training College and posted at the beginning of the current school year to the Srimulavilasam School. The work of these teachers necessitates the use of a large number of sets of steel instruments and it has been found—it might have, perhaps, been foreseen earlier—that an attender is necessary in order that these instruments may be kept clean and free from rusting, and to clear up the scraps of material and debris that accumulate in connection with this work. The matter was under correspondence with Government at the time of the budget discussion and so it was not possible to include it in the demand that was made then. Hence the demand for this supplementary grant.

PRESIDENT: There is no notice of any motion for reducing the grant that is now being asked for. The question is that a sum not exceeding Rs. 200 under Demand XIV—Education—be sanctioned as a supplementary grant. May I take it that the House sanctions the grant?

The motion was carried and the grant made.

Demand XVI—Industries.

MR. I. C. CHACKO: Sir, I beg to move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 500 under Demand XVI—Industries.

This grant is required for appointing a teacher and a clerk in the Government School of Commerce at Alleppey. This school was started

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[Mr. S. Parameswara Aiyar.]

in 1097, and, in that year, there were only junior classes in the subjects taught in that school. This year, we have opened senior classes, and for teaching these classes, it is found that one more teacher is necessary. Then again, last year, the teachers could find time and attend to the clerical and account work of the school, as they had to teach only the junior classes. This year, they have to teach both sets of classes and they do not find time to attend to the clerical and account work of the school. So a clerk also is required for the school.

PRESIDENT: I find that there is no motion for reducing this grant. May I take it that the House sanctions the grant? The question is that a sum not exceeding Rs. 500 be sanctioned as a supplementary grant under Demand XVI—Industries.

The motion was carried and the grant made.

Demand XXIII—Anchal Department.

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR: Sir, I beg to move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 500 for meeting the pay of one clerk on Rs. 25-2-35 and another on Rs. 20 per mensem sanctioned for the Anchal Superintendent's office in connection with the opening of savings bank work in 25 new Anchal offices. Another item of supplementary grant for which also I have to move is for a sum of Rs. 1,000 to provide a lump allotment for the opening of new non-departmental Anchal offices during the current year. I would submit, for the information of the House, that, at the end of 1097, there were 46 Anchal offices doing savings bank work and that four clerks in the office of the Anchal Superintendent were employed for checking the above work in these various offices. The accounts were scrutinised in the Anchal Superintendent's office, detailed ledgers were kept, and the transactions in respect of each deposit were duly entered in them. 25 new Anchal offices have now been directed to do savings bank work and the rate of interest has also been slightly increased from 4 cash per Rs. 3 to 5 cash per Rs. 3. To cope with the additional work in the head office, which the savings bank work in these 25 offices will involve, two more clerks have to be appointed in the Anchal Superintendent's office, as I said, one on Rs. 25 in the scale of Rs. 25-2-35 and another on Rs. 20. It is for this purpose that a sum of Rs. 500 is now asked for.

The other item is a lump allotment of Rs. 1,000 for opening new non-departmental Anchal offices. There is no provision for this in the current year's budget, and ordinarily no budget provision is made for the purpose. As each application for opening a non-departmental office comes up, the necessary scrutiny is made by the department, guarantee against loss is secured from the local inhabitants, and the office opened. The cost usually varies from Rs. 84 to Rs. 300 per annum, the average cost being Rs. 150, so that, if a lump allotment of Rs. 1,000 is made, it will be possible for the Anchal Superintendent to open six or seven offices during the current year, according as requisitions for the same come up and according as the department is convinced of the need for complying with such requisitions.

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